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Enclosed please find amendment and response to office action mailed on November 26, 2003 for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. <u>08-1275</u>. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins of page 2 of this paper.

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